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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: Joseph T. Voitach
TETSUYOSHI ISHIWATA et al.)
: Group Art Unit: 1632
Application No.: 09/090,672)
: Filed: June 4, 1998)
: For: IgA NEPHROPATHY-RELATED)
GENES : September 11, 2002

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)

Sir:

Applicants' petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated March 13, 2002 for three months from June 13, 2002 to September 13, 2002.


Submitted herewith is a check for \$ 920.00 to cover the fee for the extension under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17. Any deficiency in or overpayment of this fee should be charged or

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credited to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of this petition is enclosed.

Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,



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